

REMARKS

This application pertains to a novel adhesive for an adhesive tape used in the papermaking industry for "flying roll changeover" utilizing "flying splices".

Claims 1-5 are pending.

Claims 1-5 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over EP 1,342,684 A as exemplified by Nootbaar (U.S. 2003/0190445A1) taken as an English translation.

The EP document was published on September 10, 2003. Applicants' priority date of March 26, 2003 antedates that publication date. Applicants' claim to their priority date is perfected by the accompanying certified translation of their priority document.

The EP reference is therefore not available as a reference against the present application, and the rejection of claims 1-5 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over EP 1,342,684 A as exemplified by Nootbaar (U.S. 2003/0190445A1) taken as an English translation should now be withdrawn.

In view of the present remarks it is believed that claims 1-5 are now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of said claims by the Examiner is respectfully requested and the allowance thereof is courteously solicited.

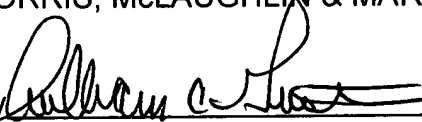
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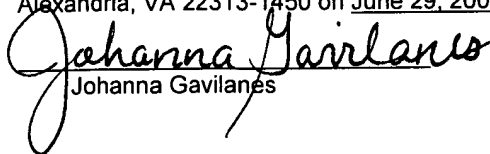
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